

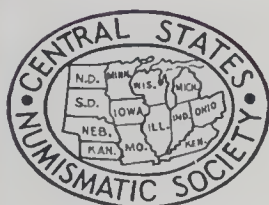
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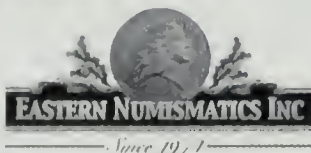
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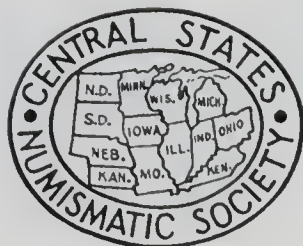


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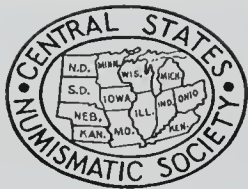
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President's Message



On behalf of the newly installed CSNS Board, I wish to thank you for your continuing support as a member. Joining the nine of us who were re-elected are four new governors full of ideas and enthusiasm! Often change is difficult, but it is inevitable.

Our committees are listed, so you know who to contact:

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The committees will meet during the year and prepare a written report before our board meetings. These will help with our budgeting process and minimize our meeting times to enable your board members more time on the convention floor.

Our Education Director has three outstanding seminars planned, including a “Coins in the Classroom” for May, 2009. Our Library Program has been increased. The design for the 2009 Cincinnati convention medal has been approved depicting the Roman general Cincinnatus for whom the city was named. Members of the Cincinnati Numismatic Association submitted the design.

CSNS is working diligently to be the numismatic education source for all our clubs and members. Let us know what we can do for you. Please take advantage of our Speakers Bureau; call me if you want to schedule a Boy or Girl Scout merit badge class; and ask for the Treasure Hunt package for your local show.

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Secretary's Message

Our 69th anniversary convention is now history. It was a busy time in Chicago for this event, which had its highs and lows.

The highs included the over-all outlook of the convention, including comments from most of the dealers that they had a good show. I do recall reading in one of the trade papers about a dealer who blamed his booth location in the back of the bourse for having a poor show. The dealer was not identified, but I can tell you for certain he was in the back because he paid his bourse fees late in the game. Booths are assigned on a first-come basis.

Another high was the exhibit area. Under the guidance of Chairperson **Fran Lockwood**, there were 250 or so cases of mostly top-caliber exhibit material. As one exhibitor commented, the CSNS exhibit area is competitive ... even more so than the ANA!

The Heritage Auctions were huge successes, highlighted by the sale of an 1804 dollar that brought \$3.4 million. Wow!

The new board was installed during the Saturday awards breakfast. **Patti Finner** became only the second woman to serve as CSNS president. The first, **Marjorie Owen-Hendershott**, was on hand to present the President's Medal and gavel. **Patti** also was awarded the coveted Medal of Merit.

I mentioned there were some lows as well. I have to say I was a bit disappointed that we didn't have a larger bourse area. We had 275 dealer booths, which is about normal for a CSNS convention. However, based on

dealer surveys that ranked Chicago their favorite site by a wide margin, we expected a greater dealer participation. Some dealers who didn't have booths said the Chicago venue is too expensive. I'll certainly agree that it is expensive, probably 25 to 30 percent more expensive than other cities we have visited. Although Chicago remains high on the dealer survey, our governing board will have to consider the various factors in determining future visits to the Windy City.

Another disappointment was a lack of participation in the "Coins in the Classroom" program for school teachers. Eventually we had to cancel that educational program, which is

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now being reviewed by the board.

I was a bit disappointed that more people didn't visit our CSNS booth as evidenced by the fact only 18 members entered our contest to guess the price of gold as of next March 3rd. The winner will have a choice of prizes: either a \$10 gold piece or up to four free nights at our 2009 host hotel in Cincinnati.

For the record, here are the guesses, in order of dollar value: **Rick King**, 537; **Bob Fritsch**, 621; **Susie Tileston**, 851; **Andrea Foley**, 967; **Kevin Foley**, 1,004; **Francis Hawks**, 1,045; **Jay King**, 1,087; **Rollie Finner**, 1,107; **Harry Tileston**, 1,197; **James Moores**, 1,198; **Rick Hartzog**, 1,209; **Jonathan Lipman**, 1,250; **Eugene Bruder**, 1,312; **Richard Lipman**, 1,320; **Mike Dennany**, 1,350; **Miriam Lipman**, 1,384; **Jesse Stokes**, 1,446; and **Donald Young**, 1,802.

Postcards were mailed to about 1,800 individuals inviting them to the Chicago convention. Those who presented the postcards at registration were entered into a drawing for gold pieces and silver dollars. The winners were **Bruce Bartelt**, **Vinton Dove**,

Jim Haver, **David Hunsicker**, **Paul Hybert**, **Brett Irick**, **James R. Jackson**, **John A. Schroeder**, **Alan Simmons** and **Vincent Zaccardi**.

Meanwhile, the May 10th paper money seminar at the Eric Newman Library in St. Louis was well received. Attendance was restricted to 25 people because of space limitations.

Our next one-day seminar will be Sept. 28th at Sharonville, a suburb of Cincinnati. More on this later, but you can contact Education Director **Ray Lockwood** (765-664-6520) for a registration form.

Our annual purge of the membership roster occurred April 30th. We had to drop 198 individuals from the roster for non-payment of dues. That might sound like a large number, but relatively speaking it's a bit below normal. In fact, this is the first time in my memory that the list has been below 200.

And, finally, our sympathy goes out to CSNS Exhibit Chairperson **Fran Lockwood**. Her mother, **Rebah Schweitzer**, passed away April 28th at a nursing home in northeast Indiana. ☹

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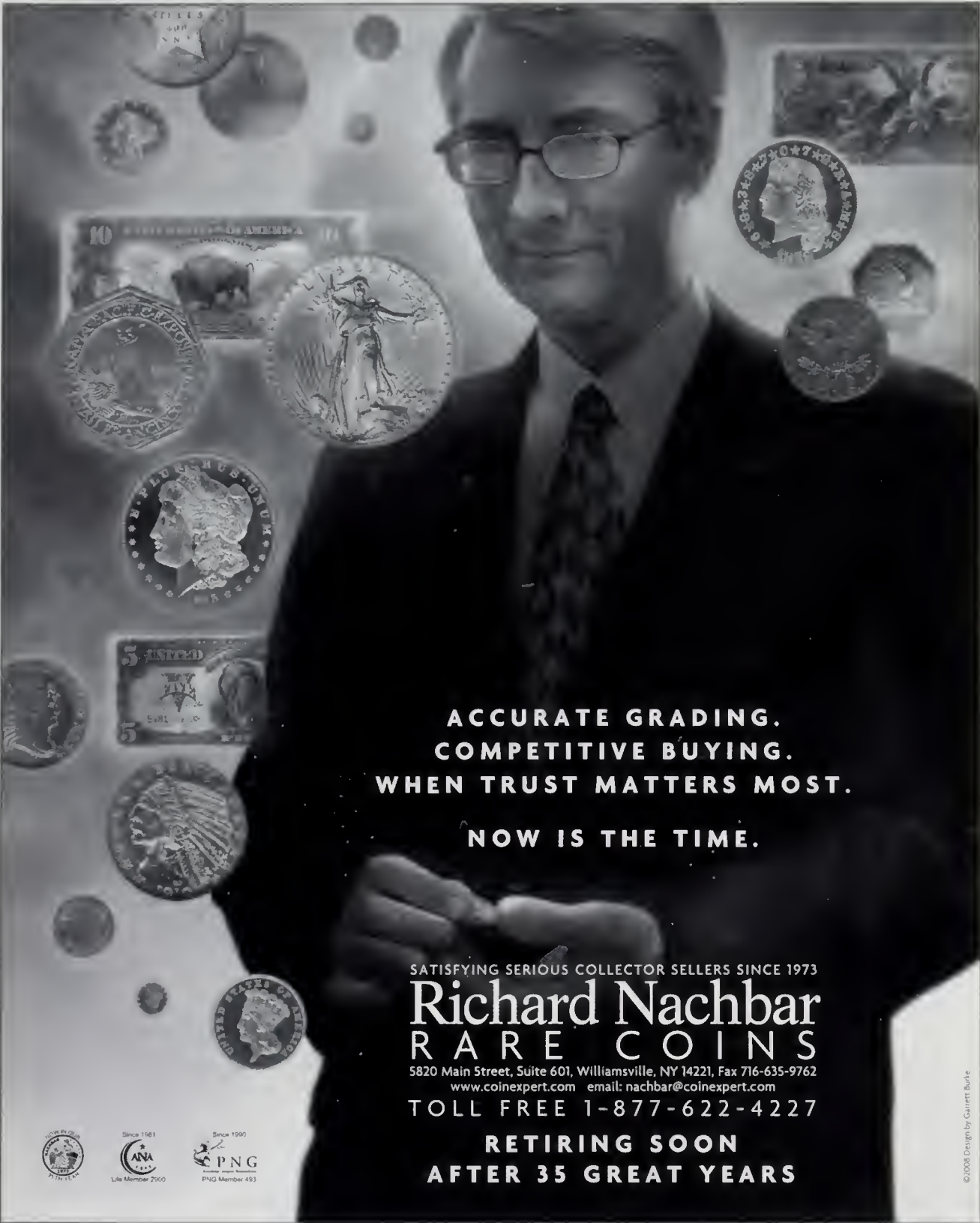
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**Central States Numismatic Society
Board Meeting Minutes
April 18, 2008 – Rosemont, IL**

President Brandimore called the meeting to order at 2 p.m. All board members were present except Legal Counsel Sirna, who arrived later.

President Brandimore asked for a moment of silence for deceased members: Earl Armstrong, Hamilton IN; Brian Beardsley, Chattanooga TN; Richard Brown, Kansas City MO; John Engle, Indianapolis IN; Joe Hensley, Madison IN; Don Jensen, Westmoreland KS; Richard Montford, Apache Junction AZ; and Arlie Slabaugh, West Chester PA.

Guests were incoming governors Don Young, David Heinrich, and Michael Dennany, along with his grandson, Mikey Dennany.

Padget motioned and P. Finner seconded to accept the secretary's report. Approved.

Padget motioned and P. Finner seconded to accept the treasurer's report. Approved.

Moore motioned and Lockwood seconded to rescind action at the previous meeting assigning tax preparation to a specific firm. Approved with Huggins abstaining.

Moore motioned and Lockwood seconded to have tax returns prepared by Chambers & Co. of Logansport IN with Huggins to act as liaison. Approved with Huggins abstaining.

Editor R. Finner presented cost estimates for the use of color in *The Centinel*. Benoit motioned and Huggins seconded to use color on the cover and inside, with rates adjusted for advertisers who use the color. Motion amended to have color only on the covers. Approved.

Huggins motioned and Tileston seconded to not allow political ads in *The Centinel*. Approved.

Tileston said the Medal of Merit would be presented at the Saturday awards breakfast.

R. Finner said the Literary Awards will be presented at the Saturday breakfast.

Exhibit Committee Chair Huggins thanked the Lockwoods, Foley and SilverTowne for supporting the exhibit area. Huggins motioned and Tileston seconded to separate Medals and Tokens into separate exhibiting categories. Approved.

P. Finner noted that the Coins in the Classroom program and the Teacher Scholarship program have not been well received, and these programs will be reviewed.

Moore motioned and P. Finner seconded to postpone until 2009 the ANA summer seminar scholarship for Paul Leistritz due to health problems. Approved.

Convention Chairman Foley reported the following: There were some problems with the bourse set-up but all is now working well. We have a tentative contract proposal for a 2011 convention in Chicago. Possible tax and licensing laws might make Indianapolis an unfavorable convention site. Chicago booth sales were not quite what was anticipated. There also have been drop-offs in hotel room usage, which will affect our commissions from the hotels.

The convention committee will review a suggestion for dealer-only bourse hours before early birds are admitted.

Lockwood motioned and Benoit seconded to table the bylaws review. Approved.

Legal Counsel Sirna is reviewing our agreement with Heritage Auctions.

Past CSNS President Marjorie Owen-Hendershott and her daughter, Phyllis Pratt, were introduced.

Lockwood said some convention

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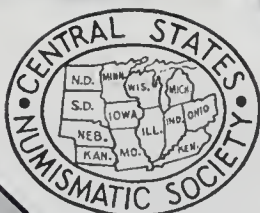
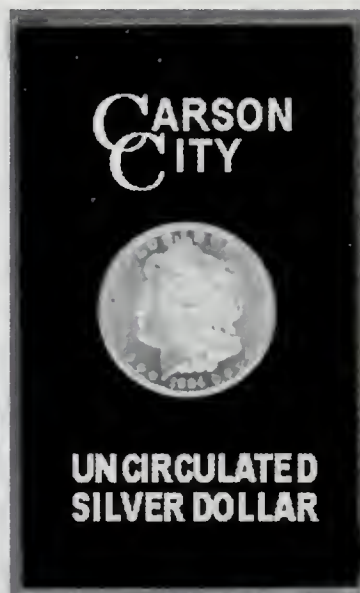
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medals were still available for sale at the CSNS booth.

Historian Marv Mericle said he has a large quantity of extra medals from previous years. Mericle motioned and P. Finner seconded to sell the excess medals. Approved.

Huggins motioned to have CSNS tax information posted on the society's website. No second. Legal Counsel Sirna to look into the need to publish tax information.

Tileston said the Finance Committee found the treasurer's books in proper order. He said there is a need to restructure the society's CDs.

Education Director Lockwood said the Cincinnati Numismatic Society was the first club to take advantage of the restructured library book program. He said a mailing to 1,300 individual members outlined the various educational programs CSNS now offers. He said mailings strictly to clubs are sometimes not presented at the local meetings.

Lockwood said 20 individuals are enrolled for the CSNS-sponsored Eric Newman Seminar May 10th in St. Louis, leaving only five spots available. He said four speakers with four different subjects are lined up for the CSNS-sponsored seminar Sept. 28th at Sharonville, Ohio.

Reporting for the YN Committee,

P. Finner said she hoped to do two essay contests a year in *The Centinel*, and that seven YNs already have been given awards. She said 200 youngsters were expected for the Saturday treasure hunt and 140 Boy Scouts were expected for a scout program, also on Saturday.

Mericle motioned and Tileston seconded to create a CSNS Hall of Fame with a first-year budget of \$250. Approved.

P. Finner reported that the paperwork has been completed for a trademark renewal.

Entered was a record of a mail vote that confirmed Lockwood as Education Director.

The 2008 election results were announced: President, Patti Finner, 495; Vice President, Donald Charters, 364; Karen Jach, 286; Governor (10 elected): Wendell Wolka, 529; Ray Lockwood, 513; Paul Padget, 464; Donald Young, 397; Greg Allen, 381; Bruce Benoit, 380; Jim Moores, 369; Jack Huggins, 341; Michael Dennany, 321; and David Heinrich, 310. Not elected: Bruce Perdue, 179; Michael Doran, 143; and Donald Dool, 94.

Referendum to allow three governors from one state: Ycs, 369; No, 320.

Total ballots counted: 721.

Padget motioned and Tileston seconded to pay up to two nights expens-

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cs and travel costs for incoming board members. Approved.

Moore's motioned and Benoit seconded a policy that outgoing board members may retain their CSNS shirts. Approved.

Padgett motioned and P. Finner seconded to table a discussion about souvenirs. Approved.

The Convention Committee will review bourse area badge policy.

R. Finner said he believes the purge of non-renewing members should be earlier in the year.

Moore's motioned and Benoit seconded to issue a bourse refund to dealer Bob Palmatter, who was the victim of a home invasion robbery.

President Brandimore thanked outgoing governors Tileston, Jach and Mericle for their service to the organization. They, in turn, expressed their thanks.

Mericle motioned and P. Finner seconded to adjourn. Approved at 4:40 p.m.

MEETING OF NEW BOARD

April 19, 2008 — Double Tree Hotel

President Patti Finner called the meeting to order at 8 p.m. All board members present except Brandimore, Padgett and Wolka.

At the recommendation of President Finner, the following appointments were approved unanimously: Kevin Foley as general chairman; Jerry Lebo as bourse chairman and secretary-treasurer; Rollie Finner as editor; Jack Huggins as historian and David Heinrich as assistant historian; Ron Sirna as legal counsel; and Ray Lockwood as education director.

President Finner directed Legal Counsel Sirna to review contracts and tax status for Lebo, Foley and R. Finner.

There was a discussion but no action taken on whether a third board meeting is necessary each year and the use of telephone conference meetings.

Greg Allen was appointed chairman of the Ethics Committee.

The Finance Committee will consist of President Finner, Huggins and Lebo, with Foley as an advisor.

President Finner said other committee appointments will be forthcoming.

There was a discussion of possible sites for the 2008 fall board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

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President Brandimore called the meeting to order at 1 p.m.

There was a moment of silence for deceased members.

Exhibit Chairperson Fran Lockwood was presented with two humorous "certificates" reflecting her recent vacation trip to Alaska.

Five 50-year membership medals were announced for John Foster, Hank Spangenberg, Indiana State Numismatic Association, Michigan State Numismatic Society and the Milwaukee Numismatic Society.

The secretary's report and the treasurer's reports were presented.

Exhibit Chairperson Fran Lockwood and hubby/assistant Ray Lockwood then presented the following awards:

U.S. Coins: 1. William Bierly, "The Might Have Been Motto." 2. Dany Rothfeld, "Two Shields of Longacre." 3. Tony Cass, "Walking Liberty Half Dollar Varieties."

Foreign Coins After 1700: 1. J. R. Rollo, "A Mint Set of Two Escudos of the Republic of Mexico." 2. Steven J. D'Ippolito, "The Little Gray Coins – Russia's Experiment with Circulating Platinum Coins, 1828-1865." 3. Mike Dennany, "The Type Coinage of Ireland, 1928-1969."

Foreign Coins Prior to 1700: 1. Bruce Bartelt, "Coinage in Roman Egypt: An Outline History." 2. Donald Dool, "The 'Kipper Und Wipper' Era." 3. Rollie Finner, "Selected Popular Coins of the Bible."

All U.S. Paper Money: 1. Mack Martin, "State of Georgia Treasury Notes and Treasury Certificates, 1861-1865." 2. Nancy Wilson, "Electricity – 1896 Style." 3. Gerald Kochel, "Continental Currency – Signed by Adam Hubley of Lancaster, PA."

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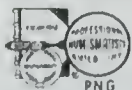
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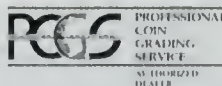
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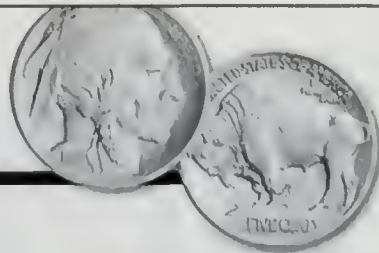
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Medals & Tokens: 1. John Eshbach, "Medals of Participation of the Summer and Winter Olympic Games." 2. Tom Casper, "Milwaukee Civil War Tokens." 3. Dan Freeland, "Selected National Commemorative Medals."

Miscellaneous: 1. Mack Martin, "Baby Bonds." 2. Leon Saryan, "Seminal Works of 19th Century Armenian Numismatic Literature." 3. Thomas Havelka, "A Numismatically Illustrated History of the Organ."

Junior: 1. Mikey Dennany, "U.S. Type Coins of WWII." 2. Katie Heinrich, "Uncommon Women on Common Currency." 3. Nolan Benoit, "Gung Hey Fat Choy."

People's Choice Award: John Eshbach, "Medals of Participation of the Summer and Winter Olympic

Games."

Most Educational (John J. Pittman) Award: Jim Cain, "Coins of the Bible."

Best Exhibit by a First-time CSNS Exhibitor (Joseph and Morton Stack) Award: J. R. Rollo, "A Mint Set of Two Escudos of the Republic of Mexico."

Best in Show: John Eshbach, "Medals of Participation of the Summer and Winter Olympic Games."

NOTE: Top awards were presented during Saturday awards breakfast, along with the following Literary Awards: Elston Bradfield Award: 1. Alvin Stern; 2. Mark Benvenuto. Daniel Parker YN Award: 1. Andy McCray. 🍀

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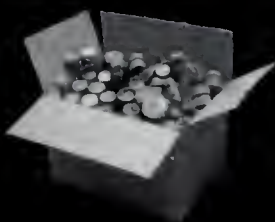
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INCOME

Dues	\$17,618.50
<i>The Centinel</i>	6,422.50
Convention (Spring)	141,940.99
Interest – Regular	12,233.18
Interest – Dedicated (LM)	9,125.49
Seminars	410.00
Additional Auction Income	53,913.79
Miscellaneous	20.00
TOTAL: \$	241,684.45

EXPENSES

Administrative

Secretary	\$28,555.58
Board	30,430.99
Convention	4,948.53
Legal	28,550.31
Insurance	3,901.00
Travel	7,324.06
Dues	1,850.00
Taxes	1,500.00
Miscellaneous	877.93
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE: \$	107,938.40

EDUCATIONAL

<i>The Centinel</i>	\$ 27,052.98
Scholarships (3 regular)	4,767.80
Scholarships (1 teacher)	-0-
CSNS Seminar (Indianapolis)	4,604.69
Club Meeting (St. Louis '07)	1,856.40
Exhibit Seminar (St. Louis)	1,000.00
YN Outreach	703.90
Library Books	708.50
Web Site	-0-
Milwaukee Museum	-0-
Miscellaneous Fees	3,307.59
TOTAL EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES: \$	44,001.86

OVERALL TOTAL EXPENSES: \$ 151,940.26

Opening Balance	177,087.56
Income	241,684.45
Expenses	(151,940.26)
Transfer to LM account	(4,800.00)
Dedicated Interest	(9,125.49)
2009 Cincinnati Deposit	(1,000.00)
Loan to 2008 Convention	(30,297.11)
Repay Loan	30,297.11
Repay 2008 Convention Deposit	8,000.00

ASSETS

Useable Funds	\$ 259,906.26
Life Accounts	151,309.27
Other Accounts (Educational, Pittman, Case/rack replacement) ..	124,255.78
Accounts Receivable (Deposits for Future Conventions)	11,014.65
Equipment Value (Cases, Racks, etc.)	87,193.00
TOTAL ASSETS: \$	633,678.96

Kevin Foley

From the Convention Chairman



Our 69th Anniversary Convention is now history. We are looking forward to the 70th Anniversary Convention, to be held April 29 – May 2 at the Duke Energy Center in downtown Cincinnati. Our event will be hosted by the members of the Cincinnati Numismatic Association, an organization founded in 1931. The CNA counts among its charter members some of the most legendary names in numismatics, including Harley Freeman, D. C. Wismer, B. Max Mehl, Henry Chapman, Farran Zerbe and Moritz Wormser. Recently elected CSNS Governor David Heinrich will chair the CNA Host Committee.

This will be the first time our convention has been held in Cincinnati since 1958, certainly too long an absence and an oversight we'll have to make sure not to repeat. Cincinnati was the first interior city to rival in commercial importance centers of earlier settlement on the east coast and is

named in honor of Cincinnatus, who was named Roman Dictator in 457 B.C. after a disastrous military defeat by the Aequi and a threatened invasion of Rome. Within 16 days Cincinnatus, personally leading the Roman army, defeated the Aequi, returned power to the Senate and simply went home to his farm. The Society of the Cincinnati, a prestigious hereditary organization comprised of direct male descendants of officers in the Continental Army, is named in his honor.

It isn't too early to begin making plans to participate in our 70th Anniversary Convention. Our headquarters hotel will be the Hyatt Regency Cincinnati, located at 151 West Fifth Street. We have an especially favorable rate of \$115 S/D. To book your accommodations, call the hotel at (513) 579-1234 and mention rate code "CSNS." Auction lot viewing and the security room will open on Tuesday, April 28. PNG Day

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is Wednesday, April 29, and the CSNS bourse area will be open Thursday-Saturday, April 30-May 2. Heritage will once again be our official auction house and will conduct both a rare coin and a rare currency Signature Sale.

There is one somewhat unpleasant aspect of our Rosemont convention experience I need to touch upon a bit. Many of our attendees were adversely affected by the growing practice of “room hoarding,” i.e. booking more hotel space, or booking over a longer period than is really needed, and then canceling at the last minute. While the unexpected can sometimes arise, there were far too many of our participants – I’m quite frankly somewhat embarrassed to admit that they were overwhelmingly my fellow numismatic professionals – who engaged in this practice. Because there were other events in Rosemont over our dates, the hotels were for a time physically sold out. Dozens of our attendees or potential attendees were unable to book rooms at any of our three official hotels and either had to stay some distance away, or in some cases had to change their plans and not come at all.

This inconvenience to people who really wanted to come to our event and stay at one of our host hotels was caused quite simply by those who booked more space than they really needed and then cancelled quite late, well after their fellow numismatists had already been turned away by our hotels. In reviewing the list of cancelled reservations I found one household name in numismatics who made no less than 13 separate reservations at the Rosemont Hyatt and five separate reservations at the Crowne Plaza, only to cancel most of them close to the deadline. At one point this one individual tied up nearly 5% of our total room blocks, denying space to your fellow members – perhaps even to you personally – only to cancel very late and actually occupy a tiny fraction of the room nights

he had originally reserved. Next year we’ll resort to public shaming and publish the names of the worst three offenders in this regard in *The Centinel*. It will be known as the *Central States Numismatic Society Bad, Worse and Worst Awards* and is one numismatic honor I suspect most would prefer not to receive.

In fairness to everyone, we will also be adopting a 21-day cancellation policy at the Hyatt Regency Cincinnati. This means that if you cancel your reservation closer than 21 days prior to your arrival date, you’ll be billed for one night’s room and tax. We hope that this at least will add a little sting to those who hoard rooms and cancel late. Room hoarding has become an especially significant issue for our convention. Our blocks at both the DoubleTree and the Hyatt shrank by over 20% in the two weeks prior to the opening of our event. When we as an organization block rooms at a hotel we also undertake a legally enforceable financial obligation to produce a certain minimum percentage of the block or pay for the rooms that go unoccupied. While that didn’t actually happen to us this year, and in fact has yet to, we have only by the narrowest margin sometimes avoided having to make such attrition penalty payments.

I’m personally aware of other numismatic convention sponsors who have incurred substantial five-figure liabilities over this issue. This is all really totally unnecessary and stems from a very basic lack of consideration some of our event participants have for others. We’ve decided to deal with this by making it harder to engage in this practice and transferring its financial burdens squarely where they belong, onto the shoulders of the room hoarders. ☹

Kevin Foley

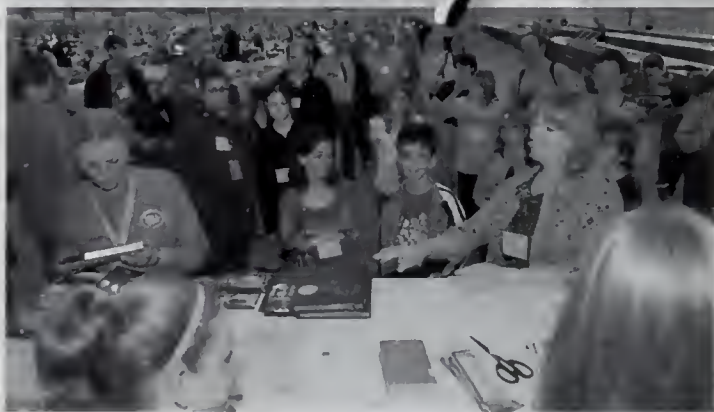


Youth activities which highlighted Saturday, the final day of the convention, included a Boy Scout merit badge clinic conducted by newly installed CSNS President Patti Finner. Seventeen scouts attended, along with their leaders and parents, where they were quizzed on their numismatic knowledge as they worked to earn their coin collecting merit badges. New York dealer Richard Nachbar (center, top row) was specially recognized for his continuing support of youth programs all across the country. Nachbar was flanked by Bruce Benoit and Finner of the CSNS YN committee.

A lively Boy Scout merit badge clinic had the scouts, parents and leaders busily answering questions about coins and currency as the scouts worked towards acquiring their coin collecting merit badges. (*Numismatic News* photo.)



Revisiting Rosemont '08



A youth treasure hunt, hosted by Central States, was open to all young collectors who were directed to nearly 20 dealer and organization booths, where they were asked numismatic questions and awarded free prizes. The program concluded with drawings for additional gifts, supervised by Patti Finner (far left) and Heidi Heinrich (far right).



Veteran coin auctioneer Leo Fröse of the Heritage staff was accorded the privilege of calling the historic sale of the Queller specimen of the 1804 silver dollar. Hobbists packed the auction room to watch history in the making, and when the dust had settled, the coin changed ownership for \$3,737,500!

Revisiting Rosemont '08

David Queller and his son, **Howard**, shared the limelight after the sale of their 1804 silver dollar. In the 15 years Queller had owned it, the coin had risen dramatically from the purchase price of \$475,000 at a 1993 Stack's sale. (*Numismatic News* photo.)



The convention awards breakfast was the ideal time for ANA President Barry Stuppler to honor a pair of Central States stalwarts with his coveted President's Award. Rita Jene Sledz and Don Charters were surprised to be honored for their years of volunteer service to both ANA and CSNS. Later in the day Stuppler caught up with David Lange, staff member of Numismatic Guaranty Corp., who was recognized with a similar award for his years of research and writing for the hobby.



Major exhibiting awards, a highlight of the awards breakfast, included double honors for veteran exhibitor John Eshbach who walked away with both Best of Show and People's Choice Award for his "Medals of Participation of the Summer and Winter Olympic Games." Exhibit Chairperson and "official Hug Lady" Fran Lockwood made the presentations. (*Numismatic News* photo.)



The Stack Award, remembering Joseph and Morton Stack, is presented annually to the best exhibit by a first-time CSNS exhibitor. J. R. Rollo accepted the award from Exhibit Chair Fran Lockwood for "A Mint Set of Two Escudos of the Republic of Mexico."



Jim Cain won the annual John Jay Pittman Award, presented for the most educational exhibit for his display titled "Coins of the Bible." In Jim's absence, the award was accepted on his behalf from Fran Lockwood by newly elected Central States Governor Don Young of Kentucky.



Central States members, exhibitors and guests were out in force for the annual awards breakfast that featured announcements of major awards and the installation of recently elected officers and board members.



First place exhibiting honors went to (front row, l. to r.) Neil Shafer, Mikey Dennany, John Eshbach; (back row) Mack Martin, Bruce Bartelt, J. R. Rollo and William Bierly.



Second place winners were (front, l. to r.) Katie Heinrich, Dany Rothfeld, Nancy Wilson; (back row) Steven D'Ippolito, Tom Casper and Leon Saryan. Missing: Donald Dool.



Third place honors went to (front row, l. to r.) Gerald Kochel, Tony Cass, Thomas Havelka; (back row) Mike Dennany, Dan Freeland and Dany Rothfeld. (John Wilson "stood in" for Rothfeld.) Missing: Nolan Benoit and Rollie Finner.



Seating was scarce as members and exhibitors jammed the room for the brief annual CSNS membership meeting and the announcement of exhibiting awards.



When CSNS exhibitors aren't "going for the gold," they're "going for the hug!" Under the watchful eye of hubby Ray (at the podium), exhibit chairperson Fran Lockwood bestowed her traditional prize-winning hug on Dany Rothfeld as he received an award.



A surprised Fran Lockwood found herself receiving a special award from Kevin Foley, convention general chairman, who honored her with a "Certificate of Bravery" after being stranded in the Alaskan wilderness for four days during her March vacation! The mock award preceded the April 18th awards ceremony.



Legal counsel Ron Sirna (at podium, far left) administered the oaths of office to recently elected officers and governors. Visible officials included governors David Heinrich, Wendell Wolka, Jim Moores and Don Charters (VP). CSNS' new president, Patti Finner, has her back to the camera.



Upon receiving the official President's Medal – followed by a "presidential hug" – from Past President Marjorie Owen-Hendershott, President Patti was officially installed as the second lady president of Central States.



A wide-angle view of the bourse floor and exhibit area shows what appears to be a busy, packed convention hall as Central States staged its 69th anniversary convention in Rosemont, Ill., April 16-19.

Revisiting Rosemont '08

Milwaukee's Kirby House

by Fred J. Borgmann

In 1844 a tired and seasick Abner Kirby stepped off a docked ship and into Milwaukee history. He spent his first night in Milwaukee at the Cottage Inn where he was led to a room and told that the buffalo hide on the floor was his bed. It was still warm from the previous occupant who had just left. There were no first-class hotels in Milwaukee then, but Kirby would change that.

Abner had money and had come to Milwaukee to start a jewelry business which he did. On the north east corner of what was then East Water and Wisconsin Streets (now North Water and East Wisconsin Avenue) Kirby built a four story brick building topped off with the first public clock in Milwaukee.

That same year construction began on Milwaukee's first brick hotel building by Daniel Wells, Jr. Completed in 1845, the new hotel would be named

the City Hotel which was located on the south east corner of what was then East Water and Mason Streets (now North Water and Mason Streets), and about one block from Kirby's jewelry building.

The original City Hotel building was 60x50 feet, 2-1/2 stories tall and housed the post office. Kirby was a half partner in that building also and in 1846 bought Wells out. As sole owner Kirby built a 70x32 foot addition to the original building. In 1854 Edward Button leased the hotel building and renamed it the Walker House in honor of Col. George Walker, one of Milwaukee's three founding fathers and its fifth mayor.

Kirby, who was Milwaukee's mayor from 1864-1865, bought up Button's lease in 1865, added another 40x120 foot addition to the building and renamed it the Kirby House. By the time Abner was done with it, the Kirby House was a 100x120 foot, five story building with 130 rooms and a dining room which could seat 320 people.

Abner Kirby died in 1893 and the Kirby House was torn down in the late 1920's so that the First Wisconsin Garage Building could be built there in 1929.

Other than a picture postcard used in 1907 and one token listed in Johnson's *Wisconsin Tokens* book, the only other Kirby House relic that I have ever seen is a bell boy badge which I was lucky enough to snag on eBay about seven years ago. The nickel plated bronze badge is 49mm in



Abner Kirby's dream came true with the completion of the impressive Kirby House hotel in downtown Milwaukee during the late 1800s. Note its location adjacent to the home of the local newspaper, the Milwaukee *Sentinel*.

diameter and was made by the Schwaab Stamp & Seal Company, so we know it could not have been made before 1888. Since it is worn and has had its pin replaced, we know that it was used for many years, so I would guess that it was made between 1888 and 1910.

When dealing with old badges, such repairs do not hurt the value of a badge.

Fortunately the last bell boy to use this badge kept it as a souvenir!



Bell boy pinback badge, one of the few tangible souvenirs remaining of the Kirby House and a bygone era.

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Heard, Overheard, Rumored, or Recalled at Rosemont

by Cliff Mishler



Coming up on three years ago at the fall CSNS assembly in Dearborn, Editor Finner extended me an invitation to become an “occasional” contributor to The Centinel, offering eclectic insights on the sum of my experiences and thoughts following attendance and participation in the organization’s events. With my last contribution having been nearly two years ago, in the fall issue of 2006, unless one would include the “report” I prepared for publication on the then upcoming 2007 ANA convention in Milwaukee presented in the spring 2007 issue, I’m afraid my incidence has been somewhat less than “occasional,” so the time has long since passed for another offering to be forthcoming!

While I did not attend the 67th anniversary CSNS convention at Columbus in 2006, as it conflicted with my wife and I embarking on our second extended motorhome excursion to Alaska, I was in attendance at the 2007 event in St. Louis, at which time my focus was on the ANA election, then in the offing, and the organization’s impending 116th anniversary convention in Milwaukee. That year also found me attending as a presenter at the CSNS second free-standing educational seminar in Indianapolis, but I had to miss the third presented this past May at Eric P. Newman’s Money Museum in St. Louis, and I’ll likely miss the one projected for Cincinnati this fall as well. Likewise, not being a board member, I did not partake of the 2007 fall board gathering at SilverTowne in Winchester.

While attending the 68th anniversary convention in St. Louis I was pleased to receive an engraved anniversary medal emblematic of my 50 years membership in Central States from fellow Wisconsinite and similarly transplanted Michigander, then-president Bill Brandimore from Wausau, which is just up the road from Iola, where he retired recently from his

position as police chief following a life-long career in law enforcement. While I found that convention as enjoyable as ever, public attendance was certainly disappointing, to say the least, with the likelihood that CSNS will not be returning there in the foreseeable future, despite the fact that through the years only Milwaukee (11) and Chicago (8) have hosted as many or more of the annual events than St. Louis’ eight.

Tileston Memory – While chatting with Harry Tileston from Louisville, Ky., during this year’s Rosemont convention, who did not stand for re-election to the board after having served for 18 consecutive



As he concluded his morning walk, Cliff Mishler (right), decked out in one of his best t-shirts, found himself to be the center of attention when CSNS Vice President Harry Tileston, bestowed on him the honored title of “Kentucky Colonel.”

years, including a term as president (2002-04), I couldn't help but reflect back to the 2001 Indianapolis convention when then vice-president Tileston enrolled me as a Kentucky Colonel. As it so happened, I was certainly under-attired for the occasion, having arrived at the awards breakfast direct from my morning constitutional clad in a sweaty t-shirt. Harry handled the occasion with his usual unruffled aplomb, remarking that I was dressed in my "very best" t-shirt, and finding this to be the "appropriate (way) Kentucky Colonels look the morning after their annual barbecue."

Harry is one of the still truly active old-timers and stem-winders of our collecting community, having learned that Indian cents were something worth collecting from the school treasurer in 1938 as a 10 year old fifth grader. Active in the hobby every since that time, he initially collected U.S. coins from circulation, but while serving with U.S. Army occupation forces in Japan following World War II he started collecting Japanese coins, gravitating back to U.S. coins in the early 1950s. While attending college under the GI Bill, in 1948, he had joined with University of Louisville ancient history professor Dr. Laurence Lee Howe in founding the Louisville Coin Club, which this year celebrates its 60th year as Harry celebrates his 80th, being the only surviving charter member.

In addition to serving the Louisville Coin Club and CSNS as an officer through the years, having been talked into running for the board by the then vice-president of the Society, he is also a past president of the Kentucky State Numismatic Association, for which he chaired its annual show in Louisville for many years. He has also served as an officer of local clubs in Aurora, Illinois; Coshocton, Ohio; and Phoenix, Arizona. And, today, having

long since retired from the accounting profession and now as a Central States official, he is still actively collecting, working on assembling a worldwide coinage set by year back to 1500, and four coins per century back to 600 BC.

Lady Presidents – It was certainly most appropriate and welcome for former CSNS president Marjorie Owen-Hendershott (1990-92), accompanied by her daughter, Phyllis Pratt, to return to the annual convention this year for the first time in several years and be on hand to participate in the swearing in of Patricia Jagger Finner as the second female president of the organization, Marge having been the first. The 1990 51st anniversary convention at which she was installed was held in Milwaukee, chaired by John and Nancy Wilson, with Kevin Foley being in charge of the bourse. John and Kevin were to subsequently serve as president (1996-98 and 1994-96 respectively) as well, but Nancy did not. The first female board member or officer of Central States, by the way, was Mrs. Harriette Hammer from Iowa, who was appointed by incoming president Dr. Judd in 1941 at the Milwaukee convention.

The first president of CSNS was Arthur B. Kelley from St. Louis, who served for 1939-40, while Hubert Polzer from Milwaukee presided as the second president in 1940-41, although he was never elected to the office, having been elevated from the position of first vice-president when newly elected president R. Edward Davis, who had become ill during the 1940 Burlington, Iowa, convention, died the following week. Onetime household hobby names who have served as Central States presidents include fourth president Dr. J. Hewitt Judd (1941-42) from Omaha, Ignatius T. Kopicki from Chicago, better known as I. T. (1942-47), with the Society

being inactive during the war years (1942-46), and R. S. Yeoman (1948-50) from Racine.

Other well known presidents following the war included Harry X Boosel (1958-60) from Chicago, Ray O. Lefman (1960-62) from Kansas City, George D. Hatie (1970-72) from Detroit, Adelbert P. (Del) Bertschy (1978-80) from Milwaukee, Kurt R. Krueger (1982-84) from Iola and Leon Hendrickson (1986-88) from Winchester, Indiana. The office of president has now been held by a total of 37 individuals, only two of them being female, which – while far from reflective of our national population ratio – is more-or-less reflective of the relative incidence of active hobby involvements between the genders.

CSNS Hospitality Room – At the Rosemont convention I paid visits to the CSNS hospitality room at the Hyatt both Thursday and Friday evenings, spending an hour or so there engaged in enjoyable and relaxing visiting on both occasions. The experiences caused me to end up reflecting on experiences from years past. On both occasions they were absent the packed room raucousness that I recall from the 60s and 70s. Also absent from the hos-

pitality rooms, commencing with the fall 2005 gathering in Dearborn, has been the long appreciated and delectable “Chef Bob’s” smoked turkey treat. Over the years, commencing in the early 90s, this had become a convention hospitality room fixture, so to speak, provided by the late Robert Kutcher from Lincoln, Nebraska, who was deeply involved in Central States (assistant general chairman of the 1980 Lincoln convention; best of show exhibitor in 1986, 1993 and 1996; board member 1996-2005), the Nebraska Numismatic Association and the local club, having attended the organizational meetings of the latter two. I found this year’s hospitality room attendances to be both modest and moderate by past standards ... with folks having the opportunity to simply snack on pizza, rather than having the pleasure of feasting on smoked turkey!

Bartending vs. Exhibiting – While bantering in conversation one evening while in the Rosemont hospitality room I ended up engaged in a dual challenge. Chatting with past-president Marv Mericle (2004-06), holding forth at his accustomed post as bartender, I learned of his intentions

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that this would be his last convention serving in that capacity, challenging him to return to the post once again in Cincinnati next year. Our discussion eventually transitioned into his dropping a challenge on me to be an exhibitor at the 2009 Cincinnati convention, which he was quite aware that exhibit chairperson Fran Lockwood had been cajoling me to do for at least the last three or four years. The upshot? He agreed to be the bartender if I would agree to be an exhibitor. I agreed to place an exhibit if he would agree to be the bartender. We shook hands on the deal!

Arlie Slabaugh –

Among those members whose passing within the prior year were remembered by president Brandimore at the opening of the Friday membership and award presentation meeting was Arlie Slabaugh, an acquaintance and friend of long standing, who passed away this past September at the age of 82. I'd known Arlie for the better part of 50 years. I'd initially come to know him through correspondence, but subsequently through personal interaction when meeting him at Central States and ANA shows in particular, or when he visited Iola on a couple occasions, or when I visited The Franklin Mint on several occasions, and over the phone with a secretary or one of his daughters relaying our respective thoughts on the other end. Having lost his hearing at a youthful age, Arlie's speech could be deciphered with a bit of difficulty and he could read your lips, but most interactions concerning mutual hobby interests were with paper pad and pencil in hand, frequently going through many pages at a sitting.

A lifetime aficionado of the less traveled avenues of the numismatic



community, he authored authoritative articles and books on such diverse topics as Confederate States paper money and Japanese invasion money, United States commemorative coins and the German monetary debacle of the 1920s, American centennial tokens and medals and Christmas medals, and Mexican Revolution paper money and the American drama as captured on our coins. I am personally pleased that I had the opportunity to acquire from him a few years ago his substantial and meaty encased coins collection, with which I was able to substantially enhance my own significant accumulations, along with a couple other specialized exnumia collections that he had formed over the years. Now, whenever one of those pieces pass through my hands as the years roll on, I will fondly recall my association and interaction with one of the truly understated experts and lovers of our hobby.

Invariably, I am certain, my thoughts will drift back to the day – it was probably in 1965 when the Central States convention was being hosted at the Hotel Continental – when I joined Arlie in walking to a Loop restaurant for lunch. We were walking along Wabash Avenue under the elevated tracks which form the Loop, with Arlie “talking” to me oblivious of the interrupting traffic noises to the side or the clattering and screeching of metal on metal overhead. I'm sure I got the essence of no more than half what he was saying, but we probably retraced those thoughts over lunch. A fount of knowledge, but certainly no less inquisitive, and a truly great and thoughtful guy to boot, the hobby is unlikely to experience the like of Arlie again. For the hobby community, that is certainly an abiding loss.

And, that's a wrap ... until a future opportunity presents itself. ©



W. Ray Lockwood

History of Central States

Part 22 — 1992-1994

The Spring, 1992, Central States 53rd anniversary convention was held in the Minneapolis Convention Center with CSNS Governor Dick Grinolds serving as chairman. Thursday, April 30th, was PNG Day with Friday – Sunday, May 1-3, open to the public.

Two educational forums were held: PNG member Gary Adkins spoke about consumer awareness and protection, and ANA Governor Anthony Swiatek gave interesting details about the 1925 Norse-American Centennial Medal.

At the 1992 Saturday awards banquet President Marjorie Owen-Hendershott passed the gavel to Leonard Owen. New governors included Ron Horstman of Missouri, Allen Karn of Ohio, Peter Phillips of Wisconsin, and Harry Tileston of Kentucky. Incumbent governors included: George Beach, Rich Hartzog, David Hendrickson, Kurt Krueger, Donald Mark, Paul Padget, Florence Schook, Leon Thornton and Roger Winkelhake. Moving up to 1st VP was John Wilson, with Dick Grinolds as 2nd VP. Bob Douglas retained his secretary/treasurer job.

The CSNS board was very busy during the convention. A donation of \$750 was made to ICTA, and scholarships were awarded to Karen Jach and Brian Fanton to attend the ANA Summer Seminar. Dues were raised to \$8 for regular adult members and \$125 for life memberships.

The Elston Bradfield Literary Award went to Saul Needleman of Highland Park, Illinois.

There were 34 competitive exhibits and three non-competitive.

Senior best of show was won by James Marrinan for his “A Millennium of Irish Coins and Tokens,” while Jeremy Petron took Junior best of show for his Franklin Half Dollar exhibit. Other class winners were Rollie Finner, Bob Kutcher, Hank Jungbluth, Bill Brandimore and John Eshbach. (Any of these names sound familiar? They should. Most are still doing competitive exhibits today!!)

The annual Greater Cincinnati Numismatic Exposition hosted the CSNS fall convention at the Drawbridge Convention Center located in Fort Mitchell, Kentucky, across the Ohio River from Cincinnati. Governor Paul Padget had run this show for eight years and promised a well-attended affair by both public and dealers. Bob Douglas, CSNS secretary/treasurer, reported “A fine convention, great weather, busy dealers and a good crowd.”

During the show the board voted to reduce the number of CSNS officers to three: president, vice president, and secretary/treasurer. This proposal was set for a vote by the general membership at its meeting on May 22, 1993, in Rosemont, Illinois.

The Rosemont O’Hare Exposition Center in suburban Chicago played host to the 54th anniversary Central States convention. President Leonard Owen commented favorably on the event noting that a few dealers had a “spectacular show!” General Chairman Fred Oliver stated, “By all accounts most of the dealers had a commercially active show and went home happy.” He complimented CSNS Legal Counsel Bill Mross for

performing ably as exhibit chairman. Also singled out for praise was Dick Peterson who served both as security and convention manager. Dick was famous for navigating the convention floor on rollerskates. The message center was staffed by the Finners, and Kevin Foley took care of hotel and convention center details.

Major exhibit winners in 1993 were Robert Kutcher, best of show for his "Gold Through the Ages," and junior best of show to Robert Leonard, Jr. for his "Native American Copper Axe Money." The coveted Medal of Merit was given to Krause Publications, the first time a corporate entity came away as winner.

Marvin Mericle and Jim Moores, along with YN Jeremy Petron, were awarded scholarships to the ANA Summer Seminar.

November 5-7, 1993, found the Central States family visiting Dayton, Ohio. Chairman Ron Crouch pulled out all the stops to make the fall convention a memorable one. Exhibitors at Dayton included Dave Schultz, winner of best of show for his "U.S. Error Coins You Seldom See." Jack Huggins, Bill Kamb and Hank Spangenberg were other major class winners. President Owen commented that the Dayton show dealers believed that business was not great but better than expected.

1994 was another Central States election year! Well, maybe not just "another" year! A spirited contest for president and vice president highlighted this election. For the top spot, it was Kevin Foley pitted against 2nd VP Dick Grinolds, with Jim Jach opposing the sitting 1st VP John Wilson. Jerry Lebo ran unopposed for secretary/treasurer, and a record-setting 21 candidates ran for the thirteen governors' seats. When the dust had settled, Kevin Foley and John Wilson emerged as winners, with newcomer governors:

Brian Fanton of Iowa, Hoosier Ray Lockwood, and Jim Kaczor of Illinois. Holdover winners were George Beach, Allen Karn, Kurt Krueger, Marv Mericle, Paul Padget, Peter Phillips, Florence Schook, Leon Thornton, Harry Tileston and Roger Winkelhake.

Indianapolis was the site of the 55th anniversary CSNS convention, April 7-10, 1994. This was the sixth time for the Hoosier capital to play host. General Chairman Howard Linville welcomed dealers and collectors to the Indiana Convention Center along with Bourse Chairman Jerry Lebo and Exhibit Chairperson Fran Lockwood. The Indiana State Numismatic Association and the Indianapolis Coin Club co-hosted the convention.

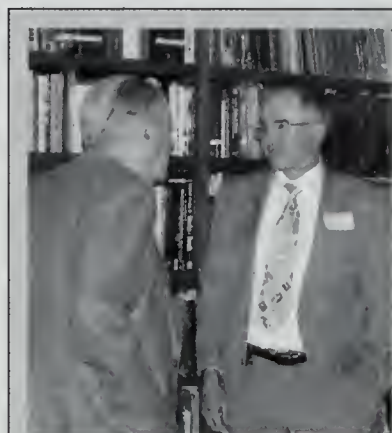
No trip to Indianapolis would be complete without visiting the world famous Indy 500 Motor Speedway. Convention attendees had this opportunity as well as a trip to the U.S. Army Money Museum at Fort Benjamin Harrison. A special program for young numismatists, an auction patterned after the highly successful Indiana State model was conducted on Saturday, April 9th. YNs were given "play" money to bid on real, dealer-donated items. Florence Schook preceded the auction with a nice talk about how to collect coins.

Educational presentations were provided by Hoosier researcher and prolific writer Bob Julian and dealers Anthony Swiatek and Indiana's own Leon Hendrickson of SilverTowne. The bourse featured 255 dealer tables and drew over 4,000 visitors. The show was well advertised on local television with personal show interviews broadcast live on the evening news programs.

The CSNS board scheduled future conventions for Milwaukee, April 27-30, 1995; Kansas City, April 11-14, 1996; Indianapolis, April 11-14, 1997; and Milwaukee, April 23-26, 1998.

Seminar Attracts Rag Pickers!

The Eric Newman Money Museum on the campus of Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, proved the fitting setting as paper money enthusiasts gathered for a day-long currency seminar May 10th. Sponsored by Central States, the event attracted 25 participants who enjoyed varied currency topics presented by Bob Cochran, David Grant, Peter Huntoon, Wendell Wolka and Ron Horstman. The event, third of a continuing series, was hosted by the dean of St. Louis numismatics, Eric P. Newman, and by W. Ray Lockwood, CSNS education director. Another educational seminar is scheduled for Sunday, September 28th, at the Sharonville (Ohio) Convention Center, just north of Cincinnati.



A quiet area of the Newman Museum was ideal for old friends, Eric Newman (left) and David Sundman, to discuss favorite topics and renew friendships. (Photos courtesy of Fran Lockwood.)

Opening remarks by the museum's namesake, Eric Newman, laid the groundwork for an enjoyable day of currency and camaraderie.



Informal discussions were as popular as the more formal presentations, affording the opportunity for more personalized attention. Speakers Peter Huntoon (standing, left) and Wendell Wolka (seated, right) fielded questions of an attendee.



Round-table discussions continued right through the lunch hour as seminar participants enjoyed the relaxed atmosphere of the Newman Museum.

CSNS Education Programs 2008 – 2009

1. LIBRARY BOOK PROGRAM:

Central States member clubs that spend up to \$100 for numismatic books/publications and donate them to libraries and/or schools will be eligible to receive up to \$500 from Central States to purchase additional books/publications to donate. Clubs may choose to spend the additional \$500 up front and be reimbursed by Central OR have Central States purchase the additional books/publications. All expenditures and donations must be documented for Central States' records. This is a one-time-per-year program for CSNS member clubs.

2. DVD PROGRAM:

David Lisot has produced 100 DVDs featuring some of the best-known numismatic experts. Central States member clubs can receive five (5) different DVDs at no cost, just for the asking. A sampling of DVD titles and speakers include: "Great Coin Collectors and Their Collections" by Q. David Bowers, and "National Banknotes" by Peter Huntoon. This is a one-time-per-year program for CSNS member clubs.

3. SPEAKER PROGRAM:

Central States member clubs that desire to bring in a well-known numismatic speaker for a meeting can arrange for such a speaker with the assistance of Central States. Clubs should make known who they want for a speaker and make preliminary contacts. Central States will make final arrangements and pay the speaker up to \$200 for reasonable expenses. Any expenses above \$200 are to be paid by the club. This is a one-time-per-year program for CSNS member clubs.

4. ANA SPECIAL SEMINARS:

On July 28-29, 2008, the ANA will conduct special seminars in conjunction with its Baltimore convention. Topics will include: Grading U.S. Coins, Advanced Morgan Dollar Collecting, and Numismatics of Colonial America. Central States will pay tuition/registration to these seminars for up to five (5) CSNS members. Interested members will be required to write a short essay explaining why they wish to participate and how their attendance will benefit their local club. This is a one-time-per-year program for CSNS members.

5. CSNS SUNDAY NUMISMATIC SEMINAR:

On Sunday, September 28, 2008, Central States will host a numismatic seminar in the Sharonville (Ohio) Convention Center, located north of Cincinnati, just off I-75. Seminar speakers and topics include:



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Bill Fivaz: "Buffalo Nickels;" **Peter Huntoon:** "Colonel Green: America's Most Extravagant Collector;" **John Kraljevich:** "The 1787 Fugio Coppers: America's First Federal Coin;" and **Brad Karoleff:** "So You Want to Collect Silver Coinage by Die Marriage – An Introduction to Collecting the John Reich Designs in Silver." The hours are 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. The registration fee is only \$20 for CSNS members; \$30 for non-members. Registration includes a continental breakfast and full lunch. Fees should be in the form of a check made payable to CSNS and mailed to: Ray Lockwood, CSNS Education Director, 2075 E. Bock Road, Marion, IN 46952.

**Deadline for registration:
September 20, 2008.**

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AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

www.money.org

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www.numismatic.org

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www.centralstates.info

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www.americanhistory.si.edu/collections/numismatics

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www.usscouts.org/usscouts/mb/mb035.asp

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www.newyork.org (Click on "Education")

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www.bos.frb.org (Click on "Education Resources")

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF RICHMOND

www.richmondfed.org (Click on "Educational Info")

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www.usmint.gov/index (Click on "Kids and Teachers")

U.S. BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTING

www.bep.treas.gov (Click on "Classroom")

www.moneyfactory.gov (Click on "For Collectors" & "Money Facts")

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

www.treas.gov (Click on "Coins & Currency" & "History & Education")

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www.cwtsociety.com

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www.encasedcollectorsinternational.org

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www.wbcc.online.com (The first on-line coin club)

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www.conderclub.homestead.com

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www.coinlink.com

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www.allexperts.com (Click on "Coin Collecting")

ANCIENT COINS

www.sas.upenn.edu/~ekondrat/numismatics.html

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www.numis.org

NUMISMATIC COLLECTION

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NOTE: Most of the world's mints have websites. See the Central States website for their addresses. Several state and local numismatic organizations have websites that can be "Googled." For additional information, contact Ray Lockwood, CSNS Education Director: 765-664-6520 or sunrayofmarion@aol.com

CSNS

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

— SUMMER 2009 —

The President and Board of Governors of the Central States Numismatic Society are pleased to announce the availability of an Adult Scholarship and a Young Numismatist Scholarship for Society members to attend the Summer Seminar educational program of the American Numismatic Association in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

The Summer Seminar is a week-long series of educational lectures and classes held each year at ANA headquarters on the campus of Colorado College. Award includes tuition, room (double occupancy rate) and board, as well as coach-class airfare from the airport nearest the awardee's place of legal residence or at the rate of 50.5¢ per mile by car, whichever is less. Maximum value of the award is \$1,200. An adult awardee must be a CSNS member for a minimum of three (3) years; a YN awardee, one (1) year. Previous winners may not re-apply.

Applicants may use the official form or apply by letter and will be judged primarily on the basis of past contributions to organized numismatics. Examples of activities considered to enhance an application include service as a local, regional, or national numismatic organization officer; publication of numismatically related articles; a history of exhibiting at coin shows and other numismatic exhibitions; as well as service on the staff of local, regional, or national coin shows or numismatic conventions within the CSNS thirteen-state area.

**Applications must be submitted prior to
August 1, 2008.**

For information about Scholarships, contact:

Jerry Lebo, CSNS Secretary

P.O. Box 841

Logansport, IN 46947

Phone: 574-753-2489 / Email: jclebo@verizon.net

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

NAME _____ CSNS# _____
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GIVE COIN CLUB NAMES AND THEIR COMMITTEES ON WHICH YOU SERVED
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LIST OTHER CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES IN WHICH YOU ARE NOW OR
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(SUBJECT, NAME OF PUBLICATION & LENGTH) _____

LIST ANY OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT YOURSELF YOU THINK MIGHT BE
IMPORTANT. _____

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SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION NO LATER THAN AUG. 1, 2008

Club & Business Happenings

Spink Acquires Smythe

Spink of London, one of the world's leading auctioneers of coins, stamps, medals, banknotes and bonds, has acquired R. M. Smythe & Co. of New York City, specialists in antique stocks, bonds, banknotes, coins and autographs. Both firms are known around the world for their histories, reputations and expertise.

John Herzog, owner of R. M. Smythe & Co. since 1967, has become a shareholder in Spink and will act as chairman emeritus of Spink USA and will participate in the development of the combined entity.

Since their founding in 1880, R. M. Smythe & Co. has developed into one of the world's premier auction houses specializing in antique stocks, bonds, banknotes, coins, autographs and photographs. During 2007 Smythe hosted six major auctions setting record prices.

Olivier D. Stocker, chairman and CEO of Spink, stated, "This acquisition is really a powerful match. It instantly creates a leadership position for Spink in their collectibles. We believe it is the perfect strategic move to better service our clients and continue to obtain the best results for them."

DGS Grades 625 Coins in First Weeks

Dominion Grading Service (DGS) announced recently that their initial goals have been exceeded in the first month. According to John Feigenbaum, president, "As of May 20, we have graded 638 coins and met our goals in other areas as well, including our software which provides email updates to submitters as orders reach various stages of the submission process."

During the first month of operations, DGS solidified "signature series" grader agreements with Rick Snow (Indian cents), Jim McGuigan (early U.S. coinage), Bill Bugert (Seated half dollars), and John Feigenbaum (Barber coinage and Washington quarters).

In an effort to maintain full disclosure, DGS has openly acknowledged that it shares the same ownership as David Lawrence Rare Coins. Feigenbaum clarifies, "We are confident that we can – and will – maintain the highest level of integrity when grading DLRC material. In an additional effort to show transparency, we are adding the letter 'D' to the serial number of all coins submitted by DLRC. Collectors can then judge for themselves whether we have been careless in grading our own material."

Submitters are encouraged to visit the company website at www.dominion-grading.com for answers to most questions, as well as online submission forms. Dominion customer service may be reached at 800-277-2646, or via email at service@dominiongrading.com.

Krause Biography Benefits Iola

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ed in his new autobiography, *I'm Chet*, as told to author Arlyn G. Sieber. Krause is the founder of *Numismatic News* and Krause Publications.

The self-published book (208 pages, 8-1/2 x 11 inches) is available for purchase. Krause is donating all money from sales of the book to the Iola Historical Society.

In the book, Krause recalls in detail his youth growing up on the family farm in the Town of Helvetia, about six miles east of Iola, and days spent in a one-room country schoolhouse. Born in 1923, Krause writes of the challenges of making ends meet during the Great Depression on his family's scrabbly farm.

Krause graduated from Iola High School in 1941 and was drafted into the Army in February, 1943. After returning home from the service, he worked as a carpenter in Iola.

He was introduced to coin collecting as a youth, and in 1952 he started a modest little publication for fellow collectors called *Numismatic News*. Initially, all of the work for the periodical was done out of his parents' home with help from his family. But eventually the business, which became known as Krause Publications, grew to become the world's largest hobby publisher with the addition of periodicals and books covering a wide range of collecting and other leisure-time fields.

Krause is the original co-author, with Clifford Mishler, of the multivolume *Standard Catalog of World Coins*, which is known worldwide as the leading reference on coins of the world.

Krause was the leading figure in the founding of the Iola Old Car Show and Swap Meet, which continues today as the largest automotive event in the Midwest and one of the largest in the nation.

In addition to his early life, Krause's autobiography recounts his many business, hobby, charitable and public service activities; his world travels; and the notable people he met along the way.

I'm Chet is available for \$20 plus \$5 for shipping and handling. To order, write: Iola Historical Society, PO Box 252, Iola, WI 54945. Check should be payable to the Iola Historical Society.

For more information, email ckrause@athenet.net or call 715-445-5570.



Thank You, Central States

"On behalf of ANA staff member Sandy Hill, Robert Fritsch, and ourselves, we want to thank CSNS for providing a table for the ANA at their recently completed 69th anniversary convention in Rosemont, IL. We were very successful in signing up close to 30 members for the Association. We were also honored to be part of the YN Treasure Hunt. Yours in numismatics, John & Nancy Wilson, Ocala, FL."

CSNS Offers Store Cards

Central States has issued two advertising tokens – or store cards – publicizing recent and coming annual conventions.

The first, modeled after the obverse of the 1916 Standing Liberty quarter

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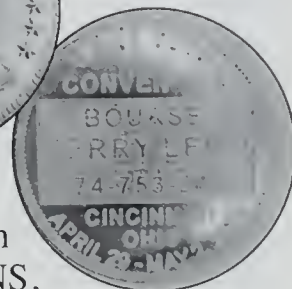
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dollar, promoted the Society's recent 69th anniversary convention in Rosemont, Ill, April 16-19.

The second, depicting the popular Bust Liberty coin design, announces the 70th anniversary convention scheduled for Cincinnati, Ohio, April 29-May 2, 2009.

Examples are available at \$3 each or two for \$5 by contacting CSNS, PO Box 589, Milwaukee, WI 53201. 



OK, Members: This is your annual "official" announcement that your Society's journal will

again reward authors who share their numismatic knowledge with their friends and fellow collectors. Original material on virtually all popular general-interest topics is encouraged, and all will be considered for publication on a space-available basis. Photos and illustrations are encouraged. You are welcome to contact the editor with your inquiries and ideas or if your material is especially lengthy.

Authors receive modest remuneration following publication, and each published submission is considered in the annual literary contest. Adult members compete for Bradfield Awards; junior members for Parker Awards. (Elston

2009 Literary Competition Open!

G. Bradfield was *The Centinel's* founder and first editor (1953-1964), while Dan Parker was editor (1978-1980) and president of Central States (1974-1976).

Competition winners will be announced and cash prizes distributed during the '09 Cincinnati, OH convention awards breakfast, Saturday, May 2nd.

Manuscripts may be submitted electronically or on disc. Microsoft Word format is preferred. Material may be submitted to the Editor, PO Box 296, Iola, WI 54945, or electronically to rfinner@tds.net. Got a question? Call 715-445-3468 or 445-4787.

Now, though, is the time to make plans and be included in the next competition!

C'mon, Let's Get Ready for Cincinnati!!

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CSNS Official Launches Grading Service

Wisconsin Dealer Has Wide Numismatic Experience

A past president of the Central States Numismatic Society, Kevin Foley, holder of that organization's coveted Medal of Merit, past winner of its Elston Bradfield Literary Award and general chairman of that organization's anniversary convention for the past decade, has announced the formation of a new certification and grading service that will examine and render professional opinions on both rare currency and coins.

The new service will be known as *Amorphagrade*. Foley told *The Centinel*, "My wide experience as both a private dealer and owner and staff member of several rare currency auction firms over the past 30 years renders me uniquely suited to meet the needs of both the dealer and collector communities. I have worked long and hard to cultivate a reputation for fairness and ethical dealing. There will be absolutely no question as to the consistency and correctness of the grades that are on *Amorphagrade* holders. In order to avoid the often times contentious bickering and accusations that arise between collectors and dealers over grading issues – bickering that can give rise to uncertainty and stress for those who pursue numismatics, whether as a profession, a hobby or a short term financial speculation – the *Amorphagrade Service* will encapsulate items submitted in a holder with black surfaces intended to totally obscure the certified item from further examination and scrutiny. It is anticipated that this innovative approach will impart a new degree of trust, certainty and harmony in relationships across the entire spectrum of numismatics. Once safely housed in an

Amorphagrade Obscura encapsulation, there will be no further need for discussion and no one will ever again be able to dispute the certified grade of the item so protected for the very simple reason that they won't be able to see it anymore.

"While I am primarily known as a rare currency dealer," the widely respected hobby leader continued, "I am also especially qualified to render certification and grading opinions to those who specialize in rare coins. I began collecting coins as long ago as the third grade, but quickly lost interest, finding coins to be all too similar. Even the really rare ones can in many cases be almost indistinguishable from more common varieties. I just found that too boring. But it is my very lack of knowledge about coins that constitutes my most unique qualification to operate a certification service. I will not be burdened by preconceived elitist illusions about my own expertise.

"I also have to wonder if all this focus on a point or two on a grading scale is really worth all the bother and fuss, especially when any sane individual just has to realize and admit that the same person looking at the same coin a year or two later would be hard pressed to replicate their subjective opinion as to which of the eleven different grades of uncirculated they had previously assigned to the item. I can't count how many times I've heard the telltale 'crunch' of coins at major conventions being broken out of their holders for resubmission in hopes of achieving a higher grade. If all those other services *really* partook of the Papal infallibility they want the rest of us to ascribe to them, why can so many

clever coin dealers make really good livings as 'crackout artists,' buying coins certified by these services and then getting them recertified for a handsome profit at an even a higher grade? Doesn't this mean that over time there will be an inevitable grade inflation that tends to push all items to the highest grade that is in any way defensible?

"With all this emphasis on whether an item is a '67' worth \$10,000 or a '68' worth \$30,000 just because an anonymous committee decided the coin was about 1.42857% better (at least that day)," Foley continued, "I have to wonder if we have somehow lost our sense of perspective. People are loosing their homes to foreclosure at a pace not seen since the Great Depression, the biggest export product in this country seems to be the jobs (and future hopes) of hard working people, the entire world community is on the verge of becoming totally unraveled in a cataclysmic economic collapse and we're worried about things like that? Come on! Unlike those who have squandered long hours of their lives that could have been spent far more productively than studying tiny nuances of difference in the grades of rare coins, I will not bring any preconceived notions based on the sometime arrogance and elitism that many of the so-called experts and authorities in different areas of numismatic specialization are all too often very sadly consumed by. I'll call them as I see them and won't let any of the previous research done by others cloud my fresh approach."

Foley concluded, "The true genius of the *Amorphagrade System* and its patented special black *Obscura* encapsulations is that it will end any debate once and for all about the accuracy of the grade pertaining to the encapsulated coin. This will give people more

time to focus on things that really matter in life, like imparting sound ethical values to their children and being productive and caring members of their community, not simply obsessing about whether a coin has a grade that even the most jaded expert would be hard pressed to duplicate once again if he looked at the same item a few months – maybe even a few days – later. Collectors and speculators will no longer be subjected to the potential humiliation and insecurity of having a self appointed authority challenge the grade of their encapsulated coins. This will put fun back into the hobby. Even more important, our patented *Obscura* encapsulations will protect both the enclosed paper money and coin items from deterioration due to attack by harmful ultra violet light, something that not a single one of the existing services can guaranty with the same certainty we have about the efficacy of the impervious to light *Obscura* encapsulation. I feel that the *Amorphagrade Service* will introduce a new level of harmony and understanding in the trade. While the grading services that have come before *Amorphagrade* have contributed in an undeniable way to the advance of numismatic science, it is just as true that they have not actually accomplished what they originally intended to, i.e. giving both buyers and sellers the assurance that the items they are purchasing have been graded correctly. Our special black surfaced *Obscura* holders will end all debate. Both collectors and speculators will be able to enjoy their holdings even more, knowing that they are forever protected against anyone being able to thoughtlessly question whether their coins meet the criteria for the grade placed on the encapsulation by our agency."

Further information may be had by contacting Foley at 414-421-3484. ☎

Coin Club Meetings

The following roster of CSNS member coin clubs is published for the convenience of collectors visiting the Central States area who may wish to attend a local club meeting. Individuals are urged to phone or e-mail ahead to confirm meeting times and locations.

ILLINOIS

Central Illinois Numismatic Association (CINA) ... meets at 7:00 p.m. the 2nd Thursday each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, North Council #4175, 2801 West St., Springfield, IL. (No meetings in August or December.) Contact: Steve Butler, 217-528-7634.

Chicago Coin Club ... holds meetings at several area coin and paper money shows during the year, plus meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month, 7:00 p.m., at the Chicago Bar Association Bldg., 321 So. Plymouth Court, Chicago, IL 60604. For possible changes, you are invited to monitor the club website: www.chicagocoinclub.org, or for more information, contact Secretary Carl Wolf at carlworlco@msn.com (Club mailing address: PO Box 2301, Chicago, IL 60690.)

Club Of Illinois Numismatists (COINS) ... meets the 2nd Thursday of every month, 7:30 p.m., at Hazel Crest Municipal Bldg., 3000 W. 170th Place, Hazel Crest. Contact: Paulette J. Coffel-Montalto, 708-268-9345, pjeoffelt@att.net

Indian Hill Coin Club ... meets the 2nd Wednesday each month, 8:00 p.m. at the Avon Township Hall on Washington St. in Round Lake Park, IL. Contact: Mike Hanninen, 847-872-2725.

Lake County Coin Club ... meets at 7:00 p.m. the 1st Tuesday each month at the Warren-Newport Library, 224 No. O'Plaine Road (just No. of Washington St.), Gurnee, IL. (No meetings if 1st Tuesday conflicts with major holiday.) Contact: George Efsen, 847-244-5160, gkefsen@juno.com

Oak Forest Numismatic Society ... meets at 7:00 p.m. the 1st Friday of each month at Bremen Township Hall, 15350 Oak Park Ave., Oak Forest, IL. Contact: Howard Ribbentrop, 708-687-2919; e-mail: dianhow@aol.com

Rockford Area Coin Club ... meets at 6:30 p.m. the 3rd Thursday each month at the Loves Park Library, 6340 No. 2nd St., Loves Park, IL. Contact: Don Smith, 815-624-0422; web/info: <http://www.exonumia.com/racc.htm>

Will County Coin Club ... meets at 7:30 p.m. the 1st Thursday each month at Ramada Inn Limited, I-80 & Houbolt Road, Joliet, IL. Contact: Mark Wieclaw, 815-485-4137.

INDIANA

Calumet Numismatic Society ... meets in Highland, IN on the 3rd Wednesday each month at the Highland Public Library, 2841 Jewett St. (No meetings in January or February.) Contact: Ken Fehlberg, president, PO Box 161, St. John, IN 46373.

Indianapolis Coin Club ... meets the 4th Monday of each month (except December), 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 2100 E. 71st St. Web/info: http://www.indianapolis-coinclub.org/meeting_schedule.htm.

Logansport Coin Club ... meets on the 3rd Wednesday each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Logansport Public Library, 7th & Broadway, Logansport, IN. Contact: Dave Colford, 574-753-9887.

Madison County Coin Club ... meets on the 3rd Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m., at the #663 Union Hall, 29th St. & Madison Ave., Anderson, IN. Club address: PO Box 2, Anderson, IN 46011. Contact: Coyle Shaw, president, 765-643-9888.

Marion Coin Club ... meets the 1st Monday each month at 6:30 p.m. – except August and September – at the Marion Public Library, 600 So. Washington St., Marion, IN. Contact: Ray Lockwood, 765-664-6520, or e-mail: sunrayofmarion@aol.com

Muncie Coin & Stamp Club ... meets at 7:00 p.m. the 2nd Tuesday each month at the Minnestria Cultural Center (on Minnestria Parkway, just off Wheeling Ave.) Contact: Ray Saylor, 765-288-0371.

Old Fort Coin Club ... meets every 2nd Thursday, 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Good Shepherd

United Methodist Church, 4700 Vance Ave., Fort Wayne, IN. Contact: 260-482-9890.

Wabash Valley Coin Club ... meets at 7:00 p.m. the 4th Tuesday each month at the Vigo County Library, corner of 7th & Poplar, Terre Haute, IN. Contact: Marvin Mericle, 812-898-1260, or e-mail: marv626@att.net

IOWA

Ames Coin Club ... meets the last Wednesday each month, 7:30 p.m., at the Heartland Senior Citizen Center, 205 Walnut. Contact: Scott Nichols, 515-232-9222 or 515-291-8352.

Cedar Rapids Coin Club ... meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month, 7:30 p.m., at the Family Merchants Bank, 600 Boyson Rd. NE, Cedar Rapids, IA. Contact: Dean Parr, 319-366-0552, or e-mail: drparr@mchsi.com. Website: <http://crrc.anaclubs.org/>

Old Capitol Coin Club ... meets the 2nd Tuesday each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Veterans Hospital, 3rd floor cafeteria, 601 Hwy 6 W, in Iowa City. Contact: Tom Robertson, 319-351-2512, or email tdrobertson1@juno.com

Port City Coin Club ... meets at 7:00 p.m. on the 4th Tuesday of each month, except December (3rd Tuesday), in the Iowa Room of Holiday Inn, Jct. of Hwys. 61 & 38, Muscatine, IA. (No meetings in June, July & August.) Contact: Nevin Roberts, nevjanrob@machlink.com

KANSAS

Johnson County Numismatic Society ... meets at 7:15 p.m. the 3rd Thursday each month at the Lenexa Community Center, Pflumm Road at Santa Fe Trail Drive, Lenexa, KS. (No meeting – coin show only – in October.) Contact: Mark McWherter, 913-649-7070 (days) or 913-764-0386 (evenings).

Salina Coin Club ... meets the 2nd Thursday each month at the VFW Post #1432, 1108 W. Crawford St., Salina, KS, except for picnic in Sept., coin show in Oct., and party in Dec. Contacts: Larry Hower, 785-452-9331; Joe Ayotte, 785-825-0706.

KENTUCKY

Bluegrass Coin Club ... meets the 2nd Monday of each month, 6:30 p.m., at Hilton Suites Lexington Green, 245 Lexington Green Circle, Lexington, KY 40503. Website address: www.bluegrasscoinclub.org. Contact: Charles R. Moore, Jr., 859-276-1551.

Louisville Coin Club ... meets the 3rd Sunday each month – except December – at 2:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Downtown, 2nd & Broadway, Louisville, KY. Contact: Harry Tileston, 502-244-2555.

MICHIGAN

Dearborn Coin Club ... meets the 1st Tuesday of September thru June at the Ross McFadden House in Dearborn, MI. (No meetings in July or August.) Contact: 313-563-6437.

Kalamazoo Numismatic Club ... meets the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m., at the Heritage Christian Reformed Church, 2857 So. 11th St., Kalamazoo, MI. (Auctions on 2nd Wed.; educational programs on 4th. No 4th Wed. meetings in Nov. & Dec.) Contact: Cork Babcock, 269-244-8273.

Lincoln Coin Club ... meets 2nd & 4th Mondays (except on major holidays) at the Polish Falcons Meeting Hall, Toledo-Dix, in Southgate, MI. Contact: Troy Haarala, 313-381-1287.

Northwest Detroit Coin Club ... meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI. (No meetings during summer months.) Contact: Donald F. Priebe, 734-425-9225.

The **Polish American Numismatic Society** ... meets at 1:30 p.m. on the 1st Saturday of each month at the American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple Road (at Dequindre), Troy, MI. Contact: Les Rosik, PANS President, 248-909-2670.

MINNESOTA

College City Coin Club ... meets the 1st Wednesday each month, 7:30 p.m. at the Northfield Community Center, Senior Citizens Hall, 1651 Jefferson Pky., Northfield, MN. Contact: Jerry Swanson, 507-289-5099.

Northwest Coin Club ... meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at Kenwood Recreation Center, 2101 W. Franklin Ave., Minneapolis, MN. Contact: Ev Levens, 763-757-4251.

or John Steinhoff, 651-698-1741.

Owatonna Coin & Stamp Club ... meets the 3rd Thursday, 7:30 p.m. at the Senior Place, Park & Rec. Dept., 500 Dunnell Dr., Owatonna, MN. (No meetings in July, August or December.) Contact: Mark D. Rasmussen, 507-451-7538.

Rochester Area Coin Club ... meets the last Wednesday each month, 7:00 p.m. at the Law Enforcement Center, Rooms 2A & B, 101 – 4th St. SE, Rochester, MN. Contact: Jerry Swanson, 507-289-5099.

MISSOURI

Ozarks Coin Club ... meets on the 1st Tuesday of every month, 7:00 p.m., at the Discovery Center, St. Louis St., in Springfield, MO. Contact: Club secretary Leon Cunningham, 417-723-8162. Email: leonray@hotmail.com

Missouri Numismatic Society ... meets the 4th Wednesday of the month (except December), 7:00 p.m., at the Creve Coeur American Legion Post, 934 E. Rue de la Banque, St. Louis (located off of Olive and Ballas, just east of I-270). Contact: Chris Sutter, 314-644-5935. Website: <http://MissouriNumismaticSociety.org>

NEBRASKA

Lincoln Coin Club ... meets the 2nd Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Hampton Inn So., 5922 Vandervoort Dr. (59th & Old Cheney Road, behind Lazlow's), Lincoln, NE. Contact: Barry Nowak, 402-483-4499.

Lincoln Numismatic Society ... meets the 1st Thursday, 7:00 p.m., each month at Hampton Inn, 5922 Vandervoort Drive, Lincoln, NE. Visitors are welcome. More information may be had by contacting: David Willsie, DFWSafety@aol.com; Jim Bulmer, jbulmcr57@hotmail.com; or Roger Pabian, rpabian@neb.rr.com

Omaha Coin Club ... meets the 3rd Friday with YN meeting at 7:00 p.m. and regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Paralyzed Veterans of America, 7612 Maple St., Omaha, NE. Contact: Ron Matson, 402-895-7715.

NORTH DAKOTA

Capital City Coin Club ... meets at 7:00 p.m. the 1st Tuesday of September thru May at the Amvets Post, 2402 Railroad Ave., Bismarck, ND. Contacts: Larry Schneider, 701-258-9438 or capitalcitycoinclub@bis.midco.net

Red River Valley Coin Club ... meets from Labor Day to Memorial Day (no summer meetings) every 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m., at the Moorhead (MN) Public Library, 118 – 5th St. So. Contact: Bill O'Brien, PO Box 10731, Fargo, ND 58106; 701-239-4827.

OHIO

Central Ohio Numismatic Association (Columbus) ... meets the 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. at the Grandview High School cafeteria. (Picnic in August; Christmas dinner in December.) Contact: Evan Brill, secretary, 614-451-5055.

Cincinnati Numismatic Association ... meets at 7:00 p.m. usually on the 2nd Friday at the Cincinnati Bar Center, 225 East 6th St., downtown Cincinnati. Contact: Emmett Ey, 513-385-0550, or visit www.cincycoinclub.org

WISCONSIN

Kenosha Coin Club ... meets the 1st Thursday each month (no meetings in July and August), 7:00 p.m. at Kenosha Union Hall, 3030 – 39th Ave., Kenosha, WI. Contact: Jerry Binsfeld, 262-657-4653 (days); 262-654-6272 (nights).

Milwaukee Numismatic Society ... meets at 7:00 p.m. on the 3rd Thursday at Mayfair Mall Community Room, 2500 No. Mayfair Rd. in Wauwatosa, WI. (Use entrance #2 on east side of mall). Contact: Bruce Benoit, 414-282-8128; e-mail: bcnwab@sbcglobal.net

Nicolet Coin Club ... meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. at Stein Supper Club, 126 So. Adams, Green Bay, WI. Contact: Don Long, 920-468-7760.

Ozaukee Coin Club ... meets at 7:00 p.m. on 2nd Thursday at Rose Harms Legion Post, 1540 – 13th Ave., Grafton, WI. Contact: John Helm, PO Box 832, Cedarburg, WI 53012. Phone: 262-376-9503.

Madison Coin Club ... meets at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Monday of the month in the Community Meeting Room at Zimbrick Buick, 1601 W. Beltline Hwy., Madison, WI. Contact: Tom Galway, Box 620421, Middleton, WI 53562; e-mail: tpgalway1@charter.net.

Racine Numismatic Society ... meets the 2nd Thursday each month (no meetings in July and August), 7:00 p.m. at Castlewood Restaurant, 2815 Wisconsin St. (across from Amtrak Depot), Sturtevant, WI. Contact: Jerry Binsfeld, 262-657-4653 (days); 262-654-6272 (nights).

South Shore Coin Club ... meets at 7:00 p.m. the 2nd Tuesday of each month (except no meetings in July and August) at St. Roman's Church Annex, 1710 W. Bolivar Ave., Milwaukee, WI. Contact: Joe Bartoszewicz, 414-327-6156; e-mail: joedee71@sbcglobal.net

Waukesha Coin Club ... meets at 7:00 p.m. the 1st Wednesday at the Waukesha Salvation Army office, 445 Madison St., Waukesha, WI. Contact: Forrest Schumacher, 262-524-3227; e-mail: fschumacher@wi.rr.com

Coin Show Calendar

The "Coin Show Calendar" is a regular feature of each issue of The Centinel and is intended to assist collectors and dealers in planning their future show attendance and to aid show sponsors in avoiding date conflicts.

Show Officials: Send complete information regarding your coming event to The Centinel well in advance - 6 to 18 months - and include dates, official name, sponsoring club name, location and address, and contact person's name, mailing and/or e-mail address, and telephone/fax number to the Editor, P.O. Box 296, Iola, WI 54945, or email: rfinner@tds.net.

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Schaumburg, IL – July 10-13

27th Annual MidAmerica Coin Expo,
Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center,
1551 No. Thoreau Dr. Contact: Kevin Foley,
PO Box 573, Milwaukee, WI 53201.
414-421-3484.

Altoona, IA – July 12

Central Iowa Coin & Stamp Expo,
Adventureland Inn, exit 142 of I-80.
Contact: Chris Seuntjens, 515-251-4031.
chris@christophersjewelry.com

Countryside, IL – July 13

West Suburban Coin & Collectibles
Expo, Park Place of Countryside
Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Rd.
Contact: Kevin Wasmer, 630-399-9060.
Email: kwasmer@comcast.net

Ottawa, Ont., CAN – July 17-20

Royal Canadian Numismatic Association
(RCNA) 55th Annual Convention,
Crowne Plaza Hotel, 101 Lyon St.
Show chairman: Steve Woodland. Web:
www.canadian-numismatic.org/Events/Conventions

Springfield, IL – July 27

Central Illinois Numismatic Association's
Annual Summer Coin Show, Northfield
Center I, 3210 Northfield Dr. Contact:
Steve Butler, 1712 So. First St., Springfield,
IL 62704. 217-528-7634.

Baltimore, MD – July 30-Aug. 3

117th Anniversary American Numismatic
Association Convention, "World's Fair of
Money," Baltimore Convention Center,
1 W. Pratt St. Contact: ANA Convention
Dept. 719-632-2646.
Website: www.money.org

Countryside, IL – Aug. 10

West Suburban Coin & Collectibles
Expo, Park Place of Countryside
Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Rd.
Contact: Kevin Wasmer, 630-399-9060.
Email: kwasmer@comcast.net

St. Louis, MO – Aug. 15-17

Missouri Numismatic Society's 48th Annual
Coin Festival, Saint Charles Convention
Center, 1 Convention Plaza,
Saint Charles, MO 63303. Contact:
Dave Frank, 314-602-4228.
MNS@frankcomputers.com

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Dublin, OH – Aug. 29-31

Ohio State Coin Show (sponsored by Central Ohio Numismatic Ass'n., formerly CNS-COINS), Crowne Plaza Hotel, 600 Metro Place No. Tables: 125. Admission fee: yes. Parking: free. Events: YN, Scout, exhibits, educational programs. Contact: CONA, PMB 182, 4719 Reed Rd., Columbus, OH 43220. 614-451-5055.

Tinley Park, IL – Sept. 4-6

Illinois Numismatic Association's 49th Annual Coin Show & Convention, Tinley Park Convention Center, 18501 So. Harlem Ave. Contact: Frank Zapushek, PO Box 1993, Bloomington, IL 61702-1993. Email: frank@bakercoins.net 309-662-0159; Website: www.ilnaclub.org

Countryside, IL – Sept. 14

West Suburban Coin & Collectibles Expo, Park Place of Countryside Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Rd. Contact: Kevin Wasmer, 630-399-9060. Email: kwasmer@comcast.net

Rockford, IL – Sept. 21

Rockford Area Coin Club's 104th Semi-Annual Coin Show, Hoffman House (Holiday Inn), 7550 E. State St. 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Contact: Don Smith, 815-624-0422.

Lincoln, NE – Sept. 27-28

Nebraska State Coin Show, Park Centers, 2602 Park Blvd. 50 tables, free admission, free parking. Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Contact: David F. Willsie, PO Box 6711, Lincoln NE 68506. 402-483-2868. Email: dfwsafety@aol.com

Cedarburg, WI – Sept. 28

Ozaukee Coin Club Coin Show, Circle B Recreation, 6261 Hwy. 60 (Hwy. 60 & Cty. I, 3.5 miles west of I-43). Hours: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Contact: John Helm, 262-376-9503

Logansport, IN – Oct. 5

54th Annual Logansport Coin Club Show, Ramada Inn, 3550 E. Market (Bus. U.S. 24 East). Free admission, 25 tables. 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Contact: Dave Colford, PO Box 1364, Logansport, IN 46947. 574-753-9887. Email: dcolf@msn.com

Milwaukee, WI – Oct. 5

Milwaukee Numismatic Society's Annual

One-Day Coin Show, American Scrub Memorial Hall, 5101 W. Oklahoma Ave.

Bourse info: David Hunsicker, 248 So. 7th Ave., West Bend, WI 53095-3221. 262-338-6064.

Ottumwa, IA – Oct. 11-12

70th Annual Iowa Numismatic Ass'n. Coin Show & Convention, Bridge View Center, 102 Church St. Contact: Denny Ross, show chairman, 641-932-2731; email: sixty2onc@iowatelecom.net

Lenexa, KS – Oct. 11-12

Johnson County Numismatic Society's 40th Annual Coin Stamp & Card Show, Lenexa Community Center (Pflumm Rd at Santa Fe Trail Dr.) Hours: Sat. 9-5; Sun. 9-3. Contact: Mark McWherter, JCNS, PO Box 19325, Lenexa, KS 66215. 913-764-0386. Email: imcinc@planetkc.com

Countryside, IL – Oct. 12

West Suburban Coin & Collectibles Expo, Park Place of Countryside Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Rd. Contact: Kevin Wasmer, 630-399-9060. Email: kwasmer@comcast.net

St. Charles, MO – Oct. 16-18

23rd Annual National & World Paper Money Convention. St. Charles Convention Center. Contact: Kevin Foley, PO Box 573, Milwaukee, WI 53201. 414-421-3484.

Lafayette, IN – Oct. 19

Lafayette Numismatic Society Coin Show, Tippecanoe County Fairgrounds, 1401 Teal Rd. Hours: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Free admission. Contact: Bruce Schlink, 765-564-4391; schlink@remconline.net

Monroeville, PA – Oct. 24-26

Fall PAN (PA Assn. of Numismatists) Coin Show, Pittsburgh Expomart, 105 Mall Blvd., Monroeville. (Rt. 22, PA Turnpike Exit 57). Contact: John Paul Sarosi, 106 Market St., Johnstown, PA 15901. 814-535-5766.

Elgin, IL – Oct. 26

Elgin Coin Club's Fall Coin Show, VFW Post #1307, 1601 Weld Rd. 9:00 a.m.-3 p.m.; 32 tables. Contact: Don Cerny, PO Box 561, So. Elgin, IL 60177. 847-888-1449.

Indianapolis, IN – Oct. 31-Nov. 1

Indiana State Numismatic Association's
50th Anniversary Convention,
Liberty Hall, Marriott Hotel, 7202 E. 21st
& Shadcland Ave. Contact: Joyce
Fischer, 1123 W. 8th St., Anderson, IN
46016. 765-649-0253.
Email: kycolonels@comcast.net

Chattanooga, TN – Oct. 31-Nov. 2

Tennessee State Numismatic Society
Annual Fall Show, Camp Jordan Arena,
I-75, exit 1. Bourse chairman: Gayle Pike,
Box 11705, Memphis, TN 38111.
Email: pikegk@aol.com
Website: www.tsns.org

Honolulu, HI – Oct. 31-Nov. 2

Hawaii State Numismatic Association's
Annual Convention, Hawaii Convention
Center, 1801 Kalakaua Ave. Contact:
Marion Kendrick, PO Box 477,
Honolulu, HI 96809. 808-486-4766.
Email: kendricks001@hawaii.rr.com

Kalamazoo, MI – Nov. 1

Kalamazoo Numismatic Club's
Annual Fall Coin Show, Kalamazoo
County Fairgrounds, County Center
Bldg., Room E, 2900 Lake St. Contact
bourse chairman: Russ Barr, PO Box 462,
Portage, MI 49081. 269-381-8669 or
email: russel_9@sbcglobal.net
Club email: Kal.Numis.club@sbcglobal.net

Altoona, IA – Nov. 8-9

Des Moines Coin Club's Annual Coin
Show, Adventurland Inn, exit 142 of I-80.
Contact: Chris Seuntjens, 515-251-4031.
chris@christophersjewelry.com

Springfield, IL – Nov. 9

Central Illinois Numismatic Association's
Annual Fall Coin Show, Northfield
Center 1, 3210 Northfield Dr. Contact:
Steve Butler, 1712 So. First St.,
Springfield, IL 62704. 217-528-7634.

Countryside, IL – Nov. 9

West Suburban Coin & Collectibles
Expo, Park Place of Countryside
Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Rd.
Contact: Kevin Wasmer, 630-399-9060.
Email: kwasmer@comcast.net

Dearborn, MI – Nov. 28-30

Michigan State Numismatic Society's
53rd Anniversary Thanksgiving Convention,

Hyatt Regency Hotel, 1 Fairlane Drive.
Contact: Brian Malnar, PO Box 87931,
Canton, MI 48187. 734-453-0504.

Houston, TX – Dec. 5-7

Greater Houston Coin Club's 52nd
Annual "Money Show of the
Southwest," George R. Brown
Convention Center, 1001 Avenida de
las Americas. Contact: Carl
Schwenker, 281-586-9727.

Countryside, IL – Dec. 13-14

West Suburban Coin & Collectibles
Holiday Expo, Park Place of Countryside
Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Rd.
Contact: Kevin Wasmer, 630-399-9060.
Email: kwasmer@comcast.net

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Orlando, FL – Jan. 8-11, 2009

54th Annual Florida United Numismatists
(FUN) Convention / Show. Orange
County Convention / Civic Center, Hall
NB, No. Concourse, 9400 Universal Blvd.
Contact: Cindy Wibker, 407-321-8447.
Website: www.funtopics.com

New York, NY – Jan. 8-11, 2009

New York International Numismatic
Convention (NYINC), Waldorf Astoria Hotel,
301 Park Ave. Contact: Kevin Foley, PO Box
370650, Milwaukee, WI 53237. 414-421-3484.
Email: kfoley2@wi.rr.com
Visit our website: www.nyhinc.info

Muncie, IN – Jan. 18, 2009

Muncie Coin & Stamp Club's 51st Annual
Show, Horizon Convention Center, 401 S.
High St. Contact: Ray Saylor, PO Box 1184,
Muncie, IN 47305. 765-288-0371.

Rosemont, IL – Mar. 5-8, 2009

15th Annual Chicago Paper Money Expo
(CPMX), Crowne Plaza-O'Hare, 5440
No. River Rd. Contact: Kevin Foley,
PO Box 573, Milwaukee, WI 53201.
414-421-3484.

Chattanooga, TN – Mar. 6-8, 2009

Tennessee State Numismatic Society
Annual Spring Show, Camp Jordan
Arena, I-75, exit 1. Bourse
chairman: Gayle Pike, Box 11705,
Memphis, TN 38111.
Email: pikegk@aol.com
Website: www.tsns.org

Brookfield, WI – Mar. 8, 2009

Waukesha Coin Club's Annual
Spring Coin Show, American Legion
Post, 3245 N. 124th St. Contact:
Tom Snyder, 262-542-5990.

Portland, OR — Mar. 13-15, 2009

American Numismatic Association's
"National Money Show."
Contact: ANA Convention Dept.
719-632-2646; website: www.money.org

Muscatine, IA – Mar. 15, 2009

Port City Coin Club's 71st Annual Coin
Show, Holiday Inn, Jct. Hwys. 61 & 38 No.
Hours: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Contact: Jim Burr,
PO Box 682, Muscatine, IA 52761.
563-262-9313.

Brooklyn Ctr., MN – Mar. 20-22, 2009

Northwest Coin Club's 75th Annual
Show, Earle Brown Heritage Ctr.,
6155 Earle Brown Dr. Contact:
Lee Quast, Box 1301, High Ridge,
MO 63049. 314-276-1162.

Springfield, IL – Mar. 22, 2009

Central Illinois Numismatic Association's
Annual Spring Coin Show, Northfield
Center I, 3210 Northfield Dr. Contact:
Steve Butler, 1712 So. First St.,
Springfield, IL 62704. 217-528-7634.

Rosemont, IL – Apr. 23-26, 2009

34th Annual Chicago International Coin
Fair (CICF), Crowne Plaza-O'Hare,
5440 No. River Rd. Contact: Kevin
Foley, PO Box 573, Milwaukee, WI
53201. 414-421-3484.

Cincinnati, OH – Apr. 29-May 2, 2009

70th Anniversary CSNS Convention, Duke
Energy Center. Bourse info:
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Monroeville, PA – May 8-10, 2009

Spring PAN (PA Assn. of Numismatists)
Coin Show, Pittsburgh Expomart, 105 Mall
Blvd., Monroeville. (Rt. 22, PA Turnpike
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W. Palm Beach, FL – July 9-11, 2009

3rd Summer Florida United Numismatists
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Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee
Blvd. Contact: Cindy Wibker,
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Springfield, IL – July 26, 2009

Central Illinois Numismatic Association's
Annual Summer Coin Show, Northfield
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Springfield, IL 62704. 217-528-7634.

Los Angeles, CA – Aug. 5-9, 2009

American Numismatic Association's 118th
Anniversary Convention, "World's Fair of
Money." Contact: ANA Convention Dept.
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Tinley Park, IL – Sept. 10-12, 2009

Illinois Numismatic Association's
50th Annual Fall Coin Show & Convention,
Tinley Park Convention Center,
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Tennessee State Numismatic Society
Annual Fall Show, Camp Jordan
Arena, I-75, exit 1. Bourse chairman:
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Website: www.tsns.org

Springfield, IL – Nov. 8, 2009

Central Illinois Numismatic Association's
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Center I, 3210 Northfield Dr. Contact:

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Springfield, IL 62704. 217-528-7634.

Houston, TX – Dec. 4-6, 2009
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Annual "Money Show of the
Southwest," George R. Brown
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NB, No. Concourse, 9400 Universal Blvd.
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Muncie, IN – Jan. 24, 2010
Muncie Coin & Stamp Club's 52nd Annual
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High St. Contact: Ray Saylor, PO Box 1184,
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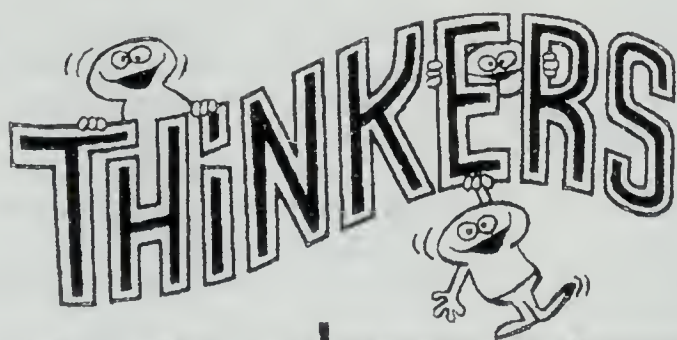
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MO 63049. 314-276-1162.

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Silence
is one of the hardest
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Free speech is a
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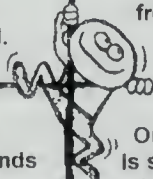
There is only one quality
worse than the hardness
of heart, and that
is softness of head.

The worst indigestion
is that which comes
from having to eat
your own words.

Before borrowing money
from a friend,
decide which
you need most.

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footprints in the sands
of time, don't drag
your feet.

One reason experience
is such a good teacher
is that it doesn't allow
any dropouts.



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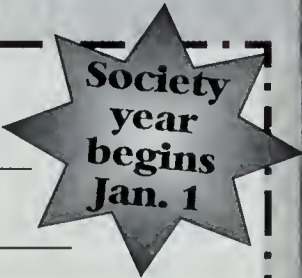
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